



## Jaime Estavillo

February 5, 1941 - February 26, 2024

IN MEMORY OF:

Jaime Estavillo

Serving Location:

CRAIN FUNERAL HOME – MURPHYSBORO

1421 Walnut Street, Murphysboro, Illinois

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Jaime Estavillo, aged 83, of Carbondale. Jaime passed away peacefully at Carbondale Memorial Hospital on February 26, 2024. Born on February 5, 1941, in Safford, Arizona, Jaime was a cherished son of the late Frank and Gregoria (Montoya) Estavillo and brother to Francisco Estavillo of Tucson, AZ.

Jaime leaves behind a legacy of love and dedication. He is survived by his beloved wife of 60 years, Shirley; his daughter, Mary, and son-in-law, Ed, along with their children, Kaelyn and Mackenzie Barry, of O'Fallon, MO; and his son, John, and his children, Isabella and Nicholas Estavillo, of Round Rock, TX. Jaime's passing deeply saddens his family, leaving an irreplaceable void filled with cherished memories and profound love.

Jaime was a beacon of knowledge and guidance. He received his early education at Sacred Heart Elementary and Mansfeld Jr. High in Tucson Arizona; then graduated from Tucson High School in 1959. He pursued a higher education with vigor and passion, earning a bachelor's degree from the University of Arizona. He continued his education at UC Davis earning his PhD in 1970 and went on to a postdoctoral position at UCLA. He became an assistant professor at Dartmouth Medical School. The family moved to Carbondale in 1975 where he joined the faculty at Southern Illinois University Medical School. He taught first year medical students in addition to becoming Chair of the medical school Anatomy Department. He retired from SIUC Medical School after 30 years of teaching and research. He was honored as Teacher of the Year by medical students in 2003 and again in 2004.

Jaime was renowned not only for his professional achievements but also for his adventurous spirit and love for the outdoors. Alongside his son, John, he climbed Mount Chimborazo in Ecuador, as well as backpacked many of the mountain ranges here in the US. He has kayaked Glacier Bay Alaska and river rafting the Colorado in Utah and Tatshenshini rivers in Alaska. In his later years, Jaime cherished bicycling with friends on the Katy Trail, embracing every opportunity to explore and enjoy the world around him.

Beyond his adventures, Jaime was known for his interests in woodworking, traveling, photography, and was an avid runner. Jaime's journey through life was marked by unwavering kindness, dedication to his family, and a passion for teaching and exploring the great outdoors. His memory will live on in the hearts of all who knew him.

Services to honor Jaime's life and legacy will be held on March 2, 2024. Visitation will be from 10am until 12:00pm and a service from 12pm until 1pm at Crain Funeral Home, 1421 Walnut Street, Murphysboro, IL. A celebration of life will follow.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in Jaime's memory to the American Parkinson Disease Association (APDA) to continue his legacy and support for others.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Crain Funeral Home.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 2. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (cst)

Crain Funeral Home - Downtown Murphysboro  
1421 Walnut St  
Murphysboro, IL 62966  
(618) 684-2131

## Funeral Service

MAR 2. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (cst)

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## Celebration of Life

MAR 2. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (cst)

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# Tribute Wall

RD

“ I knew Jaime from when I was working on a masters degree at UC Davis in 1968. He was a great guy to work with and I enjoyed our time together in Dr. Burger's lab. Please accept my condolences for your loss.

*Raymond A. Lacy, II, DDS*

Raymond A Lacy II DDS - July 09, 2025 at 04:57 PM

KC

“ I met Dr. Estavillo when we both worked for SIU School of Medicine in the late 1980s and 1990s. I've always had the utmost respect and admiration for him. He stood by his principals without fear or falter, and he approached life with a wonderful sense of humor. He will be dearly missed.

Kerry Cole - March 18, 2024 at 04:43 PM

PB

“ P.K. Baltrenas purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Jaime Estavillo.



P.K. Baltrenas - March 01, 2024 at 01:46 PM

MG

“ Matt, Holly, and Dash Garrison planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jaime Estavillo.

Matt, Holly, and Dash Garrison - February 29, 2024 at 08:17 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Jaime Estavillo.*



February 29, 2024 at 08:17 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Jaime Estavillo.*



February 28, 2024 at 10:54 AM



“ *Schloemann, Brewer, Anderson, Waller purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Jaime Estavillo.*



**Schloemann, Brewer, Anderson, Waller** - February 28, 2024 at 10:43 AM



“ *John, Donna and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jaime Estavillo.*

**John, Donna and family** - February 27, 2024 at 08:59 PM

JF

“ John, Donna and family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Jaime Estavillo.



John, Donna and family - February 27, 2024 at 08:59 PM

CL

“ Uncle Jaime was an intelligent, witty, charming, handsome man. I will miss the stories he had to tell and conversations we had when he come to Tucson to visit. Rest in Peace ❤️

Charlin Lancaster - February 26, 2024 at 09:54 PM

DS

“ Thank you Dr Estavillo for you knowledge, humor, friendship, and patience.

Daniel L Shekleton - February 26, 2024 at 09:37 PM

DS

“ Dan, Tiffani, and Tayli Shekleton planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jaime Estavillo.

Dan, Tiffani, and Tayli Shekleton - February 26, 2024 at 09:35 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jaime Estavillo.



February 26, 2024 at 09:35 PM